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COMPANY B A WINNER

COMPETITIVE DRILL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL CADETS.

A Brilliant Annual Event in Social and Educational Circles—The Contest a Close One—Roster of the Three Companies.

Company B won the laurels. Last Saturday was an ideal day, and 5,000 of Washington's best-looking Afro-Americans, dressed in holiday attire, gathered at the American League baseball park to witness the annual competitive drill of the High School Cadets. Everybody as was anybody seemed to be on hand and the grand stand was filled to overflowing. The liveliest enthusiasm prevailed throughout, the "rooters" for each of the three companies making the welkin ring with tumultuous cheers, tin-horns, cow-bells, class yells and other noise-producing devices.

For the first time the Manual Training School No. 2, was a factor in the contest, lining up Company C for the event. The other companies represented the M Street High School. The competition between the two schools was sharp, and while the M street contingent were very enthusiastic and displayed great vocal power, the friends of Dr. W. Bruce Evans' institution outnumbered them by a big majority. The "rooters" wore bright ribbons, streamers, etc., Company A's colors being blue and gray, Company B, red and blue, and Company C blue and orange. Some thought that Dr. Evans had a slight advantage in that he was himself a soldier and his personal aid would give the boys superior training and confidence. Company C did not win, but put up a game fight, as did the boys in Company A. The display of tools and utensils by the Manual Training School was an interesting feature of the day.

The drilling was declared by the judges to be unusually good, and reflected great credit upon the military leadership of Major Arthur Brooks, the instructor. The firing, foot movements and skirmishing caught the people.

Company B was the first on the field, followed by Company A, and that by Company C. The judges decided in favor of Company B because no calls were omitted, while the other two companies left out several. Following are the officers who acted as the judges: Maj. Charles H. Ourand, inspector general, District of Columbia Militia; Capt. E. C. Edwards, Company A, Second Battalion, D. C. N. G.; Capt. William S. Hodges, Company D, Fourth Battalion, D. C. N. G.

Among the prominent spectators who occupied boxes in the grand stand: Commissioner Macfarland, Commissioner John W. Ross, Col. M. E. Urell, Col. B. R. Ross, Maj. E. H. Neumeyer, Lieut. Pinky Smith, Capt. Harry Lee, U. S. M. C.; Mr. Sidney Bieber, and Gen. George H. Harries. The entire

MEN OF THE HOUR.



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school board was also present at the drill.

WHO WERE THERE.

Prominent among our own people in attendance were Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Francis, Judge R. H. Terrell, Dr. A. M. Curtis, Judge E. M. Hewlett, Dr. Lucy E. Moten, principal of the Normal School; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Murray, Hon. and Mrs. John P. Green, Cyrus Field Adams, Emmett J. Scott, of Tuskegee; Recorder J. C. Dancy, Mrs. Anna J. Cooper, principal of M Street High School; Major and Mrs. C. R. Douglass; Mr. Lewis H. Douglass, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Tyson, Editor and Mrs. E. E. Cooper, Mrs. Ida D. Bailey, William McDonald, of Texas; Dr. W. Bruce Evans, C. M. Ferguson, Mrs. E. D. Wiliston, besides all of the faculty of the two contesting schools, teachers of the other public schools and numerous newspaper correspondents. The invited guests occupied boxes, to which they were promptly and gracefully escorted by courteous ushers.

The battalion gave an artistic exhibition drill under the following officers: Major Robert N. Mattingly; first lieutenant and adjutant, Roscoe C. Wormley; sergeant major, Roscoe Brown; bugle sergeant, Clifton Lomax.

Then amid wild huzzas Commissioner

Macfarland presented the teachers' medal and ribbon to the winner, Company B.

The floral offerings were tasteful and elaborate, and Hoffman's band played well though not often enough. The street car service was adequate, thanks to the thoughtfulness of the school authorities, supplemented by the co-operation of General Harries.

ROSTER OF THE COMPANIES.

Following is the roster of the companies:

Company B—Captain, Chester H. Jarvis; first lieutenant, William E. Lewis; second lieutenant, Eugene Clarke; first sergeant, Hugh Francis; second sergeant, Harry Tignor; third sergeant, Thomas Johnson; fourth sergeant, Richard Crier; fifth sergeant, Bernard Key.

Corporals—James Thomas, Samuel Compton, John Smith, and William Clarke.

Privates—Clarence Brent, Samuel Bullock, Raymond Carter, Albert Dyson, Lawrence Forrest, John Francis, Frank Gaines, David Gaskins, West Hamilton, Isaiah Harton, Raymond Hewlett, John Hughes, Andrew Jack-

ZION AND THE COUNTRY

BISHOP CLINTON'S MASTERLY SURVEY OF THE FIELD.

Necessity For Church Extension and Circulation of Original Literature—President Roosevelt Praised—Review of Past and Counsel for Future.

The seventy-fifth annual session of the Philadelphia and Baltimore A. M. E. Zion Conference convened at Harrisburg, Pa., on Wednesday, 21st, at 10 A. M., Bishop George W. Clinton, D. D., presiding. Besides the presiding Bishop, Revs. J. W. Hood, D. D., L. L. D., and J. B. Small, D. D., were present, and several of the general officers and visitors from other conferences.

The principal feature of Thursday afternoon's session was the masterful Episcopal address of Bishop George W. Clinton. The Bishop began by expressing gratitude to God for sparing the brethren to meet in the 75th annual session. He paid a graceful and deserved tribute to the brave soldiers who had died during conference year: Rev. B. H. Freeman, George Bosley and W. A. M. Cypress.

The Bishop then gave an epitomized statement concerning the condition of the various churches of the conference, most of which he had personally visited. He stated that he had found every pastor at his post, and had received uniform kind treatment and courteous attention from all of them, and that in a majority of the charges the work was in a very encouraging condition.

Referring to the Washington churches he paid deserved tributes to the pastors there, making special mention of the very excellent work accomplished by Revs. R. S. Rives, D. D., of Union Wesley on Twenty-third St. N. W., who had repaired his church at a cost of more than \$6,000, and B. J. Bolding, who had served his second year at John Wesley on Conn. Ave., in a manner creditable alike to pastor and people. The Bishop urged that an effort be made by the general church to relieve Galbraith church on Sixth Street.

The Bishop spoke as follows:

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Under this head the first subject to which I wish to call attention is our Church Extension Work. Our last General Conference authorized the Connectional Council to so arrange our Church Extension plan that it could be put in successful operation at the earliest possible date. The Council meetings at Indianapolis and Atlantic City perfected the plan which now appears in our Discipline.

In harmony with an arrangement agreed upon at Atlantic City, and acquiesced in by the Board of Bishops

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